



ECONOMY RUN AWARDS are given to a team of three winners placing second in the Low Price V-8 class. Dave Pace, driver; Jerry Abbott, co-driver, and Chuck Comstock, observer, display the trophies. The team was sponsored by North

Torrance Lions Club, represented by A. L. Jackson. The run included 12 teams from Torrance, which raced from Azusa to Mataha Air Force Base, Sacramento, and back to Azusa.

Local Youngsters Plan Summertime Discovery Trips

Discovery trips to six Southland points of interest are planned by the Torrance Recreation Department this week, according to Herman Boodman, coordinator of the program.

Basic instruction in mountain climbing will be offered during a journey to Charleston Flats. The bus leaves McMaster Park at 8 a.m. Monday. The cost is \$2.

Bronson Canyon and Fendell will be visited by a group due to leave Recreation Department headquarters at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday. The fee is \$1.50.

Fossil beds in the Palos Verdes Hills will be visited by an expedition scheduled to leave El Retiro Park at 1 p.m. Wednesday. The cost is \$1.

Bird-watching at O'Neil Park in Orange County is planned by a group that will leave Recreation Department headquarters at 8 a.m. Friday. The fee is \$1.75.

The trips are designed for youngsters between 10 and 14 years.

Bank Guard Befriends as 'Part of Duties'

Friend to all, and one who is always willing to give a helping hand, this is the description of Frank Muggler, bank guard for the Torrance Bank of America, as given by his boss, Harold G. Frenz.

Muggler's face may be familiar to persons who frequent the bank, for he is always on the floor, checking to see that all things go well.

"I even keep my eye on children when mothers are busy at the windows," he insisted, however, "I am not a babysitter."

The guard, originally from Switzerland, has been in California for three years. He plans to make this his permanent home.

When Muggler first obtained the duties of bank guard, he found it strange, standing in the lobby doing nothing. So, he began to make himself useful by guiding customers to windows, aiding as superintendent of the stationary and supply department, resolving parking problems, etc.

Shoe Business
Before coming to America, Muggler was superintendent of a shoe factory in Switzerland for 28 years. As part of his duties, he visited England frequently and had a little practice with English.

Along with his English and Swiss-German speaking capacities, the gentleman knows French and "a little" Italian. He has done translating work for bank customers who received letters from Europe written in foreign languages.

Approximately 34 years ago, before beginning his career in the shoe factory, Muggler visited New York for three years. At this time he worked in the foreign exchange accounting department of a New York bank.

Returning to his homeland, Muggler fell in love with Helen, whose father was superintendent of the shoe factory at that time.

New Nationality
Helen, a native of the United States, "was an American until I married her," he chuckled. It was at his father-in-law's plant where Muggler learned his trade.

The Muggler family, which resides at Carson and Hall-dale, Torrance, spends its weekends at the beach—"The beach is something new for us," the tan guard mentioned, who continued that he doesn't miss the Swiss winters at all.

Muggler is father of two sons, Frank Jr., and Peter, and a daughter, Margaret Schmidt of Torrance, who is a nurse at the California Hospital.

He stated he was drawn to this country because his children were here. Smiling, he added that he and his wife plan to return home "only for a visit."

President Signs Law for Vet Compensation
A new law providing for additional compensation to veterans with severe service-connected disabilities who have more than three children has been signed by President Eisenhower, Mort Webster, Manager of VA's Southern California Regional Office announced today.

The prior law did not authorize payment for more than three children, Webster said.

The additional compensation will range for \$12 monthly for each child after the first three where the veteran's service-connected disability is evaluated at 100 percent down to \$6 monthly where the veteran's disability is evaluated at 50 percent.

Between the two extremes proportionate amounts will be payable for percentages of disability.

Where the disability was due to peacetime service, the rates would be eighty percent of the amount payable for wartime disability.



DISTRIBUTING HAPPINESS—Bank Guard Frank Muggler, native of Switzerland, supplies Dorothy Kirkpatrick, head of the escrow department of the Bank of America, with paper. This is only part of his duties included in the position.

Resident Receives Post as Driver Examiner

Donald Mark Young of Torrance has been appointed to the position of driver's license examiner in the Department of Motor Vehicles' field office at 1907 Border Ave., Torrance. The assignment is effective tomorrow.

Before he takes over his new duties, Young, who resides at 2917 El Dorado, will have completed four weeks of training in the laws, rules and regulations, and the driving procedures that are applied to the testing of drivers under the State Vehicle Code.

Young is married and the father of two children, Daniel Mark and Lynne Margery. He is the son of Mrs. Anna Rennebarre. He was formerly employed by the Southern California Gas Company and was a service manager in Mono County.

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Local Motorists Place in Contest

Two teams from Torrance entering the seventh annual Youth Safety Run drove their cars to second place victories during the contest June 27 through 29 from Azusa to Matha Air Force Base, Sacramento, then back to Azusa.

Dave Pace, member of the Tyrants of Torrance who was driving a Chevrolet in the Low Price V-8 field, pulled a second place driving with Jerry Abbott from the Charloiteers of Torrance, co-driver, and Jim Chuck, member of the Tartars of Bell, observer.

Dennis Berry of the Tyrants, Jim Masaki, member of the Cardinals, and Mason Alexander of Glendale placed second in the Compact field driving a Rambler American.

Pace's car donated for the race by Paul's Chevrolet, placed with an average gas mileage of 17.563 miles per gallon. This team was sponsored by the North Torrance Lions Club. Berry's auto, supplied by

Dwight Eubank Rambler, averaged 29.126 miles per gallon to attain second. This team was sponsored by the Associated Car Clubs of Torrance.

Chuck Comstock of the Charloiteers of Torrance won third place observer's award. The observer rides in each car entered in the contest. His job is to "act as traffic cop," Officer A. L. Jackson of the Torrance Police summed up. Observers turn in reports on their drivers; the observer writing the most complete report is awarded.

There were 36 autos entered in the four classes of the run. Four cars and 12 participants entering were from Torrance.

The four classes, Compact, Economy "6," Low Price V-8, and Low-Medium Price V-8, were open for entry to drivers from 16 to 21 years old. Drivers from throughout Southern California are testing new vehicles.

The object of the run is to test the mileage made by the latest cars and the capabilities of drivers to get the best mileage out of their autos.

"In a few years, this will be the only economy run of the West Coast which will comprise more than a one-day event with drivers using brand new cars," Jackson predicted.

223rd Street School Schedules Craft Show

Parents are being invited to view and judge crafts made by children attending the 223rd Street School summer program Thursday.

Films will be shown and snow cones will be donated by members of the PTA.

Each Tuesday skating marathons are held with Kermit Welch and Joan Bridges as supervisors.

Other events planned for the near future are a puppet show and a trip to Griffith Park.

The program is sponsored by the Youth Services of Los Angeles City Schools.

Torrance Firm Receives Development Contract

Horkey-Moore Associates, a division of Houston Fearless Corporation, has received a research and development contract from the U.S. Navy Purchasing Office, Los Angeles, for production of 400 rocket nozzles, Edward J. Horkey, president, announced today.

The rocket nozzle, built for a "assified missile, will be fabricated by Horkey-Moore's Plastics Division, under the direction of Vincent G. Gurdley. The units, made of graphite and phenolicimpregnated asbestos, will be delivered to the Naval Ordnance Test Station at China Lake, California, for evaluation and testing.

Dollar value of the contract and identification of the missile for which the Horkey-Moore rocket nozzles are intended were not disclosed.

Group Supports Payroll Charity Deduction Plan

County Supervisor Frank G. Bonelli has accepted chairmanship of a "GO AID" Committee designed to encourage more participation of county employees in the payroll deduction method of charity support.

This took place when a score of county officials, including members of the board of supervisors and a majority of the appointed department heads, voiced approval of the "GO AID" way for soliciting nearly 40,000 county employees for support of voluntary health and welfare services.

They heard the advantages of federated giving outlined at a meeting in the California Club, hosted by Ernest J. Loebecke, president of the Title Insurance and Trust Co. and chairman of the Los Angeles Area Community Chest.

Local Derby Team Flies to 5th Spot

Racing to a fifth place in the 14th annual All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race, "Powder Puff Derby," which started at Torrance Municipal Airport July 9 at 9 a.m., two local women, pilot Iris Critchell and co-pilot Mary C. Pinkney, arrived in Wilmington, Delaware, after a battling time with 75 other woman pilots.

Placing first in the contest were Aileen Saunders, pilot, of El Cajon, and her co-pilot, June Douglas, of Fall River, Mass. Mrs. Saunders claimed the first place of last year's air race also.

Mrs. Saunders, with 1100 hours flying time, claims this is her fourth T.A.R. She flew a 145 horsepower Cessna 172.

Arriving second was Frances Miller of South Carolina, who was soloing in a Piper 24. Two Michigan flyers who came in third were Lucille Quamby, piloting, and Bernice Steadman. They arrived in a Cessna 172.

Betty Miller and Elaine Waldon, both of Los Angeles, took the fourth place spot in their Cessna 172, the number 34 airplane to leave Torrance.

Sixth place was granted to Frances S. Bera and Anette Castle of Santa Monica, flying a two-motor Piper PA-23.

The first airplane to arrive at Wilmington, entry number 14, flown by Margaret Densmore and Constance Volk of Massachusetts, pulled into the airport Sunday, July 10,

at 5:30 p.m.

Although this plane arrived first, because the race times are computed during flying time only, any plane arriving before noon, July 13, has a chance to place.

Each entry was given a par speed, this is the speed the plane of that particular make is expected to make. Speed made over the par speed is used in determining the winner.

Therefore, the better the flying conditions, the better chance the entrant has. This is the reason many teams remained at airports during flying hours.

Cash prizes for the derby ranged from \$800 for the top winner to \$200 for the sixth placer. Awards were presented Friday night during the annual convention banquet of the race sponsor, Ninety-Niners, Inc., which is an international organization of women pilots.

There was only one mishap during the trip. It occurred Monday when one of the planes, having landing gear trouble, was forced to make a belly landing. There were no injuries.

Two planes were disqualified from the race, one which landed at an unauthorized flying field because of engine trouble, and another which dropped out of the contest.

Mrs. Saunders and her co-pilot flew the 2509 mile trip in 18 hours and 27 minutes.

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